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TELEPHONE FACILITIES TO JAWANS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether telephone facilities are available to the jawans of the armed forces at the places of postings;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken to provide the telephone facilities to them?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): At present, 1882 telephones including civil telephones have been provided for welfare of Jawans in all Commands of Army. These include 313 INMARSAT terminals and 405 Village Public Telephones. Telephone facilities are available in Naval Units and arrangements have been made to provide STD booths within the Naval Establishments. This facility is also available on almost all ships for emergent requirements of needy personnel. Like wise telephone facilities are available in all the Air Force Stations and Units for the benefit of Air Force Personnel.